

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: Occupational Therapists (29-1122)

Associated Occupation: Recreational Therapists (29-1125)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 96

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Psychology	6.4	21.3	17.7	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Therapy and Counseling	3.8	20.3	16.4	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Education and Training	9.2	15.2	17.7	>	Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Sociology and Anthropology	4.1	13.5	12.1	<	Expanded education and/or training may be required
Medicine and Dentistry	3.7	10.5	9.3	<	Expanded education and/or training may be required
Philosophy and Theology	3.2	8.6	6.2	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Fine Arts	2.2	6.0	2.2	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Active Listening	11.0	14.0	13.4	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Service Orientation	7.9	13.5	11.7	<	A higher skill level may be required
Social Perceptiveness	9.1	13.2	12.0	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Coordination	9.1	12.5	10.2	<	A higher skill level may be required
Instructing	7.8	10.8	11.1	0	Current skill level may be sufficient

Persuasion	7.4	9.9	9.1	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Negotiation	6.8	9.4	8.6	0	Current skill level may be sufficient

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 96			
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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Originality	7.6	11.0	10.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Time Sharing	6.6	7.9	7.8	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Gross Body Coordination	3.9	7.3	5.0	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Stamina	4.0	6.7	4.8	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Dynamic Strength	3.5	6.0	4.5	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 96
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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Analyze medical data	57	
Analyze patient activity	73	
Assess therapy needs of patients	85	
Assist patient to improve or develop work skills	95	
Collect clinical data	56	
Communicate technical information	4	
Direct and coordinate treatment program activities	87	
Evaluate patient response to therapy	78	
Follow patient care procedures	60	
Identify body response variations	57	
Maintain records, reports, or files	5	
Make presentations on health or medical issues	50	
Observe patient condition	48	
Obtain information from clients, customers, or patients	40	
Plan therapy treatment program	77	
Position patient for therapy	70	

Use interpersonal communication techniques	10
Use knowledge of medical terminology	40
Use sanitation practices in health care settings	48
Work with persons with mental disabilities or illnesses	62

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus
Occupation to Associated
Occupation: 54

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Audio and visual equipment	4
Cameras	2
Communication aids for the physically challenged	29
Computer game or entertainment software	33
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1
Industry specific software	1
Information exchange software	1
Network applications software	1
Patient lifts	35
Patient transport products	18
Rehabilitation exercise devices and equipment	24

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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